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In re application of :
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**FASTENING STRUCTURE INCLUDING A
BOLT HAVING A SERRATION THAT IS
PRESS-FIT INTO A BOLTHOLE OF A FLANGE
(Rule 1.53(b) Divisional
of Serial No. 10/359,092,
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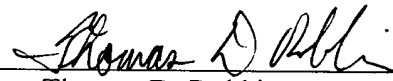
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Respectfully submitted,

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